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ONE PAPER

In the HOME is worth a dozen in the byway, and just remember THE DEMOCRAT is the home paper of Mercer County.

DEMOCRATS

And Republican Place Their Tickets In Field for Final Consideration of Voters

Last Tuesday brought forth one of the closest contest primary elections held in this county for many years. The fact that almost every section of the county was represented by a candidate brought forth a good sized primary vote and made all the county fights exciting. The vote was pretty evenly split up and each and every candidate received a good sized complimentary vote.

To the surprise of many, Put Sandles, of Ottawa, carried the county over former governor Cox by something over a hundred votes, while John J. Lutz, of Columbus, secured a like majority over Senator Pomerene.

B. F. Welty cleaned up on N. W. Cunningham for congress, securing a majority of over 500 votes, which also secured for him the nomination in the district.

Fred Huber, of Franklin township, secured a majority of almost 300 over his next opponent, Judge Seranton in the fight for representative.

Probably the biggest surprise of the election was the nomination of Bert Morrison for surveyor, who defeated Noah Hinton, who had been defeated by a clean margin of 192 votes.

A hotly contested prosecutor's fight was waged between Myers and Kramer, with the result that C. A. Stubbs, a young attorney of this city, secured the cream of the vote and crossed the wire ten votes ahead of Myers, according to the official tabulated figures by the Board last night.

Ed G. Ungerer, a third time candidate, secured the nomination for auditor, defeating his next opponent, Jim Carlin, by 159 votes.

Leo Schuchell fell short in his fight against Sheriff Humphrey, up for re-nomination, losing out by over 600 votes.

Druggist Perry Baker, of this city, secured a majority of 200 votes over Henry Schroer, of Coldwater, while James Hart, of Gibson, was ushered in by a 400 majority over Clyde Thomas.

Another last minute surprise was sprung by the selection of John Now, of Hopewell township, for a place on the Board of Commissioners, Hill and Steinbrunner, as generally picked, securing the largest vote. The third place, however, was generally conceded to go to John Stammen, of Marion, John Dues or John Hein, of this city. All three ran even below Jacob Tingley, of Union.

The ticket as nominated in its entirety is a good one and should have the untold support of all Democratic voters at the November election.

The Board of Elections had not finished tabulating the results up to a late hour last night, and we are therefore unable to give the official count. We will, however, publish a tabulated official count at precinct next week. The unofficial from all precincts give the following:

For Governor—1379
James M. Cox 486
A. C. Martin 486
J. P. Sandles 1473

For Lieutenant Governor—840
Earl D. Bloom 529
E. J. Hoppie 529
D. L. Sutter 731
George W. Todd 296

For Secretary of State—229
Carl F. Antener 229
Wm. D. Fulton 248
Colin C. Meekison 512
J. Henry Newman 708
Thornton R. Snyder 405

For Auditor of State—1906
Vic Donahay 1906
For Treasurer of State—1788
Chester E. Bryan 1788

For Attorney General—983
Joseph McGee 983
W. J. Schwenck 536
Scott Stahl 601

For Judges of Supreme Court—1213
Maurice M. Donahue 1213
James G. Johnson 1797

For Judge of Court of Appeals—296
Long (term) 296
Phil M. Crow 2160
(Short term) 495

Harry L. Conn 334
William P. Berry 334
Fred E. Guthrie 316
Kent W. Hughes 291
James D. Johnson 244
Benjamin Meek 318

For United States Senator—1381
John J. Lutz 1381
Atlee Pomerene 1205

For Representative to Congress—978
N. W. Cunningham 978
F. M. Hunt 227
T. P. Riddle 343
L. M. Studevant 431
B. F. Welty 1499

For Member State Central Committee—318
J. C. W. Coppess 318
Con F. Drees 554
J. E. Monger 523

For State Senator—816
Wm. Behn 816
Thomas M. Berry 1089
George W. Holl 1789

Representative to General Assembly—1419
Fred Huber 1419
R. K. Huffer 360
John E. Piddle 658
S. S. Seranton 1123

For Judge of Probate Court—2340
Orville Raudabaugh 2340
For Judge Probate Court—2330
J. B. Hassinger 2330

For Sheriff—2154
William Humphrey 2154
Leo C. Scammon 1526

For County Auditor—772
James K. Carlin 772
Earl E. Garwick 532
William H. Hecht 422
D. E. Mott 659
Ed G. Ungerer 931
Clarence L. Vining 546

For County Commissioner—990
John Dues 990
Jason T. Frysinger 503
John Hein 820
John Hildbold 675
George Hill 198
Irvine Hole 1131
John Now 1012
Joseph Stammen 1012
Robert Steinbrunner 1296
Jacob A. Tingley 1031

For County Treasurer—1646
Perry Baker 1646
Henry F. Lempe 596
Henry H. Schroer 1447

For County Recorder—1425
James E. Hart 1425
J. B. Maurer 555
George H. Preston 659
Clyde H. Thomas 1063

RAILROAD STRIKE

May Make U. S. Owner of Great Systems—Congress Thinks Walkout Means Ownership

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Officials of the organization of railway employees known as the "Big Four" announced today that the men have voted in favor of a strike unless the demands for an eight hour day and time and one half for overtime are granted. Approximately 400,000 workmen are affected by the vote, the counting of which was completed last night.

The organizations which voted on the strike question are Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, the Order of Railway Conductors, and the Order of Firemen and Engineers.

WASHINGTON, August 7.—That there will be a strong demand for government ownership of railroads if the threatened strike of 400,000 railway employees materializes, was the statement made by several senators representing states of the middle west.

Hope of settling the threatened railway strike through the United States Board of mediation and conciliation before it reaches the walkout stage, increased today after consideration of the national receivership plan which the labor leaders have in mind.

The possibility of such a plan being carried into effect was of greatest interest to government ownership advocates in congress, several of whom again expressed their hope that the present situation will lead to government ownership of a part of the railroad systems in the country.

"I am informed that this plan for throwing the railroads into receivership as the only way of avoiding a long and costly tie up has been considered not only by the men but by the railroads," said Senator Kenyon, of Iowa. "The strike would be a bad thing for the roads because it would mean a terrific legal battle, and a definite arraying of capital against labor."

The optimism over the possibility of an amicable settlement is based on two conclusions. The railroads, it is believed, do not want a receivership because it would lead inevitably to a general exposure of existing conditions, of inflated stock issues, and the like, under which many of the roads are staggering.

It would also be reasonably certain to establish somewhere a model of government ownership, device to supply the best possible service to the public with the highest possible wages to the employees, and without regard to paying dividends on the investment or even paying expenses.

On the other hand the labor leaders and their advocates in Congress are fearful of compulsory arbitration, which would sweep from their hands their most powerful weapon, the strike and the will to avert legislation compelling arbitration the labor men are willing to make sacrifices.

"They already feel they have won a big victory by throwing in the senate committee yesterday the plan for inquiry and arbitration by the interstate commerce commission."

Senator Norris of Nebraska said today that the threatened paralysis of traffic is the strongest argument ever presented for the government ownership of railroads.

Should the impending disaster fall, he announced, he will seize the opportunity to advance the doctrine that private ownership of a public utility necessarily is opposed to the public interest.

He will introduce a bill calling for the construction or purchase of a nation-wide system—a line from the Atlantic to the Pacific and from the Gulf to the Lakes. This he will propose to operate as a model utility, both as to treatment of the public in rates and employees in pay.

"Watered stock is the greatest evil of railroads," said Senator Norris. "Many of them must earn interest and dividends on from two to five times their actual value. Nothing, therefore, is more unfair and unintelligent to cross railroad managers. Simply hired men, they must be kept with such economy toward their employees and with such a make-it-pay regardless attitude toward the public that the surplus in that big blow-up has not come sooner."

"The strike is as inevitable as summer or winter. Possibly the situation may be patched up. But as long as railroad managers must devote their genius and their every atom of labor toward earning dividends and interest on values that do not exist, there is hanging over the traffic of this country—a Damoclean sword."

Believe that these two lines—one east and west from ocean to ocean, and the other north and south, from lakes to the gulf—would have a tremendous influence in moulding rates and treatment of employees that further extension of government ownership might not be necessary."

INFANTILE SCOURGE DEATHS INCREASED

NEW YORK, Aug. 8.—Infantile paralysis deaths again broke all records during the 24 hours ending at 10 a. m. today. In that period 57 died of the disease. The highest previous toll in one day was 55. The number of new cases reported today was 183.

The total of deaths and cases thus far reported are 1251 and 6519 respectively.

GENTILITY

In the midst of the conflict of opinion on policies and whom to vote for let us take to heart the wholesome doctrine of the Bonztown Bard, who thus sings in the Baltimore Sun:

We want less hate, we want less strife,
We need more sweetness of life;
We want less care, we want less pain.
We need the sunshine as well as rain;

We want less scorn, we want less greed,
We want more loving in our creed;
We want more joy and more content,
Less bitterness and argument.

No victory for truth and virtue is ever won by ill will and hate. If one wins by mere spite, he wins defeat only. There is an old motto, "Keep sweet and go ahead," and one is more apt to go ahead if he keeps sweet. As soon as he becomes sour he strays and stumbles. There is another motto, "Shake hands and agree" which contains more wisdom than we would hastily admit—Ohio State Journal.

To the Democrats of Mercer County:

I take this means of thanking the many friends over the county, who supported me in my fight for County Auditor.

I endeavored to make the fight a clean one. I am well pleased with the showing I made and am ready to begin the fight for a united democracy and a clean sweep at the November election.

JAMES K. CARLIN

ICE CREAM AND CAKE ALL WEEK

The Junior and Senior C. E. Societies of the Celina Presbyterian church will serve ice cream and cake on the Court House lawn each night during the Fair, namely Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, for the benefit of the church.

Plenty of light, and also the best of music by the boys' band. Help look! A good cause by your presence. Ice cream and home made cake, 10c, plain ice cream 5c.

PRICE OF FLOUR WILL RISE

CHICAGO, Aug. 7.—Prospects of a general increase in the price of bread throughout the country were considered today by the Chicago bakers.

Startling advances in the price of flour are responsible. This followed sensational advances in the wheat market, due to black rust and storm and heat damage throughout the northwest.

"Flour has advanced \$1.50 a barrel in the last month," said John W. Eckhart, president of the J. W. Eckhart Milling Company, today. "It is now selling for 6.25 against 4.75 a month ago. If there is no change in the wheat situation soon, it will go a dollar higher."

NEW

Democratic Central Committee Meet and Organize Within Fifteen Days, So Says the Law.

Democratic county central committees were chosen in all precincts except Liberty township at the primary election Tuesday. The committees so elected must meet, as provided by law, within fifteen days after their election, or before Wednesday, August 23, and organize by selecting a chairman and secretary.

All such committees must also choose an executive committee. The committees elected were as follows:

Blackrock—J. E. Snyder, Butler—Chas. Stukenberg, Burkettville—Wm. Broecker, Celina, First Ward—H. J. Stecher, Celina, Second Ward—Noah Fry, Celina, Third Ward—Frank V. Short, Celina, Fourth Ward—W. E. Reynolds, Center—Harry Lewis, Chiles—J. P. Hartings, Coldwater—E. W. Wagner, Dublin, First Ward—Wm. Miller, Dublin, Second—E. A. Lee, Dublin, East—S. J. Chivington, Dublin, West—J. H. Sommers, Pt. Recovery—South—W. Stemmer, Franklin—Jos. Klotzerman, Granville—C. Loken, Hopewell—Chas. Siebert, Jitters—Geo. Kinkor, Liberty—No election, Marion, East—Jos. Goeke, Marion, West—Gottsmoeller, Mendon—W. M. Hays, Montezuma—Chas. Tobin, Rockport—Thomas Ketchum, St. Henry—J. J. Schlosser, Union—Geo. Kinkor, Washington, North—Emory Loudenbeck, Washington, South—Ben Vonderhaar.

NO SORE SPOTS

On Put Sandles, Who Gives Cox Fraise and Support and Has No Favors to Ask

OTTAWA, Aug. 9.—Hon. A. P. Sandles issued this statement tonight:

"Democracy deserves to win no matter who leads. Defeat has virtues. Worry and expense stop. Victory increases both. Light primary vote indicates independent voting in November. James M. Cox has made and will make again a better government than Mr. Willis. In order that my hearty support of Mr. Cox in the coming campaign may not be misconstrued, I agree not to seek or accept any office until Mr. Cox is elected.

"I desire his election to get an office for myself at his hands."

"Other ex-officials will take the same view. Mr. Willis becomes an ex-governor in January, 1917. Mr. Cox is the victor of the voters in the recent Democratic primary. He will be elected choice of Ohio when the November ballots are counted. Let all Democrats keep the faith."

THE G. O. P. TICKET

The Republican polled a very light vote last Tuesday, as is the usual custom of the Republican primaries in this county. Of the two candidates opposing the Republican ring leader's slate, ex-Mayor C. D. Rice of this city, was successful in defeating C. W. Hallfill, of Hercul.

The slate candidate for auditor, J. H. Harbings of Pt. Recovery, defeated the slate huster, Johnny Zenz. The ticket nominated is as follows:

Representative—C. D. Rice, Celina, Probate Judge—C. S. Younger, Celina, Clerk of Courts—Walter B. Nichols, Union.

Sheriff—Tom Koop, Celina, Auditor—J. H. Harting, Pt. Recovery, Commissioner—Ben J. Smith, Hopewell, Treasurer—A. Barber, Mendon, Recorder—Anthony Miering, Chiles.

STATE TICKET

The following state ticket was nominated by Ohio Republicans in Tuesday's primary election:

United States Senator—Myron T. Herlick, Governor—Frank R. Willis, Lieutenant Governor—John H. Arnold, Secretary of State—Rudolf W. Arner, Auditor of State—Hayes M. Adams, Attorney General—Edward C. Turner, Supreme Judge—Jas. Joyce and A. G. Summers.

Unofficial returns from the Senatorial district show the election of Tom Berry of Allen County and Geo. Holl, of Auglaize. Senator Behne, of Bryan, was defeated for re-nomination. The unofficial count gives: Holl 7093, Berry 5995 and Behne 5617.

CORN

The Nation's Greatest Crop, in Bad Condition, According to Government Report

WASHINGTON, Aug. 8.—Falling off in crop prospects amounting to many millions of dollars loss to farmers of the country were indicated today in the department of Agriculture's August report, which forecast declines indicated production in almost every important crop from the forecasts reported in July.

Wheat showed a loss of 105,000,000 bushels, corn 30,000,000 bushels, oats 42,000,000 bushels, barley 11,000,000 bushels, and there were decreases in rye, white and sweet potatoes, fax, apples and peaches.

The heavy reduction in the indicated production of cotton previously had been reported.

Corn, the nation's greatest crop, is in serious condition from drought, and if rain does not come soon, the yield will be smaller than the forecast announced today, which was 2,779,000.

WHEAT SOARING

CHICAGO, Aug. 8.—The advances in wheat today were not only unusual, but they were unprecedented. Against a closing of the September at \$1.37 5/8 on Tuesday, there was an advance to \$1.43 3/4 and the resting spots were at \$1.43 1/2 to \$1.44 1/2.

The December closed Tuesday at \$1.37 and the higher price today was \$1.38 3/4 or a net gain of 11 3/4c.

ILLUSTRATIONS

And Demonstrations Will Feature the State Exhibit at the Banner Fair Next Week

The Ohio Experiment Station, through its various departments, is studying the problems with which the farmer has to contend. The results of investigation and experimentation are published from time to time throughout the year in the form of bulletins and circulars. Many of the truths contained in these publications can be put to the practical test upon the farm with much profit to the farmer.

Over sixty thousand farmers in Ohio and the adjoining states are reading the bulletins and circulars of the station. Are you one of them? Get your name on the mailing list. A post card addressed to the Experiment Station, Waples, O., with the request will accomplish this.

In order to reach more of the farmers in the state, special illustrative exhibits have been prepared, to be installed at state, local and county fairs. These exhibits illustrate, in a graphic way, some of the truths which have been discovered by years of study and experimentation.

Some of the lines of work which will be illustrated at the Banner Fair next week are as follows: Analysis of farm manures, fertilizers and crops, and removal of weeds from farm crops, crop rotation, selection of varieties, thick and thin seeding of wheat and oats, early and late seeding of wheat, early and late planting of corn, insects and noxious weeds, practical forestry, feeding farm animals, fertilizer experiments, keeping diary records and many other items of interest to the farmer.

Daily demonstrations will be made in the use of the Babcock milk tester. Samples of sweet milk will be tested free of charge. Samples of soil will be tested free of charge. Samples of soil will be tested for lime. Weed and insect specimens will be identified. While at the fair, look for the big tent and the sign, "Ohio Experiment Station Exhibit."

WEST END ROAD WORK TO BE SOLD THURSDAY

The work of building the concrete road from the C. H. & D. railroad west to the corporation limits on West Logan street will be sold by the state highway commissioner next Thursday, August 11.

FOUR-YEAR-OLD BOY STRICKEN WITH PARALYSIS

The four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Carlin, stricken with paralysis last week, resulting in paralysis of both lower limbs, is improving. One limb shows some signs of returning vigor, giving the family some encouragement in the outcome of the child's terrible affliction. Its mind seems to be in no way affected.

MUST DO SOMETHING

In an effort to keep up the tax duplicate, especially in the population centers where is located most of the intangible property, revision boards have been arbitrarily adding to returns of individuals and business concerns. The sworn statements are ignored, and without hearing those making the returns are declared dishonest, and the additions are made. Notice is thereafter given of such additions. This is contrary to the law, which presumes the honesty of men and provides for a public hearing before additions may be made. The arbitrary action has been taken on orders and with the aid of the tax commission, which is said to be fortified by the attorney general's opinion. The tax situation now forms a desperate case and desperate remedies are being applied.

FERTILIZER PLANT AT MONTEZUMA CHANGES HANDS

The Montezuma Fertilizer Plant, an old and established concern, has changed hands, and its facilities for doing business is to be enlarged and improved in every way. The industry is one that means much to agriculture these days and should be stimulated in every way. The concern will remove your dead stock and help you get rid of what might prove a pest by burying. In some cases they pay for the carcasses of larger animals and you always get the cash. You can reach them by telephone at Montezuma.

EVERYTHING

In Apple-Pie Order for Opening of Banner Fair Next Week—Will Be Hammer

The Banner Fair opening Tuesday, can be counted on to be the usual success, entertainingly and financially. It is always regarded as homecoming week, where people meet in the most democratic fashion once a year to shake hands and renew old friendships. If it provided no other pleasure it would be worth the money and time expended. But there is plenty to see, plenty to entertain, good exhibits, good races, good music, good food attractions, and it will be good for you and yours.

The Banner Fair is always a great show. Come and see it.

TAXATION

Of Large Fortunes Is Planned To Maintain Fund For Old Age Pensions—Bill Drafted

[Ohio State Journal, August 7.] Delegates from labor, civic, suffrage and philanthropic organizations from all over Ohio met yesterday and the Hartman Hotel and drafted a bill to provide old age pensions for aged citizens of Ohio.

This resolution was adopted: Resolved that we, representatives of civic and labor organizations assembled in Columbus August 6, 1916 declare in favor of submission to the popular vote in November, 1917, a noncontributory old age pension act, which shall guarantee to all aged and needy citizens in Ohio an income of \$20 per month, and which shall provide the revenue therefor, not by additional taxes upon general property, but by the taxation of large inherited fortunes.

Resolved that the executive committee be instructed to endeavor to work out a plan whereby all progressive organizations may combine to create and maintain machinery for functioning the initiative and referendum in behalf of a consecutive social program.

What Act Provides

The bill provides that every person who is a citizen of the United States and who has been a legal resident of Ohio for one year prior to the date of the adoption of the act, or who thereafter becomes a resident of the state and who shall have resided in the state 10 years and in the county two years and who is 65 or more years of age, and who has an income of \$240 a year, shall be paid a pension sufficient to guarantee an aggregate income of \$240 a year, subject to the qualifications of the act; provided, however, that no such pension shall be paid to a person while he or she is supported in a public institution.

Persons deriving an income from other pensions, from real or personal property, will receive the difference between such aggregate annual income and the maximum of \$240 per annum upon real estate to the extent of \$1500 is to be exempt.

Officers Are Chosen

The inheritance tax shall be both direct and collateral and shall be on a graduated basis. In the first case, amounts shall be taken up to 90 per cent on all sums in excess of \$50,000, and in the second, amounts up to 90 per cent in all in excess of \$50,000.

The following were elected officers of the league: G. W. Compton, Columbus, president; Arnold Bill, Cleveland, first vice president; G. W. Savage, Columbus second vice president; Edwin Blue, Lima, third vice president; Wm. Prout, Cincinnati, fourth vice president; F. E. Bell, Cincinnati, secretary-treasurer; Carl Brannin, Cincinnati, executive secretary.

The executive committee was directed to get out petitions for circulation as soon as possible.

TOWN TOPICS

The Celina Boys Band will play at the Ft. Recovery Harvest Jubilee today.

Glenn, the twelve year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Messer, southwest of Celina, was killed last Friday morning, when he got caught by the belt running a threshing machine.

Fred Gilberg sustained an ugly cut on the bottom of his left foot last Sunday afternoon while bathing at Edgewater Park. Three stitches were taken to close the wound.

The Standard Oil Company have completed all plans for their new oil station to be erected on Hoysing street between the C. N. and C. H. & D. rail roads. Contractor Lane and foreman H. E. Pifer, had his right arm broken last Friday morning. Three stitches were taken to close the wound.

All chances of mud on the Banner Fair grounds this year have been eliminated by putting crushed stone on the midway and the driveways. This should have been done years ago. No difference how bad it rains, five minutes after it is over people will be able to go and come with pleasure. The Fair Board has done the handsome thing. If it is dry there will not be the usual dust. The stone was furnished by John W. Karch, of the Beaver Crusher plant.

REPORTS FROM FT. RECOVERY

Reports from Ft. Recovery indicate that their annual harvest festival is a great success and attended by big crowds. Celina has been well represented.

According to the official Republican vote tabulated by the Board of elections last night, C. D. Rice for representative secured 349 votes and C. W. Hallfill 223. For auditor J. H. Hartings secured 353 and John Zenz 137.

RETURNS THANKS TO VOTERS

Fred Huber, of Franklin township, Democratic nominee for Representative instructs the Democrat to extend to the Democratic voters of Mercer county his appreciation of the courtesies extended to him during the campaign just closed and the confidence reposed in him by their votes. He also hopes to merit the confidence and good will of those who supported his opponents for the place at the primary as election day comes around.

LATE ARRIVALS

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wenske, of Hopewell, were the proud parents of a baby boy born last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eliza McDonald, West Jefferson, are the parents of a baby girl born last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Woods, Logan street, are the parents of a baby girl, born Friday.